

FISCAL NOTE

HB 4126 - SB 4170

February 6, 2008

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires a protesting party, in regards to the request-for-proposal (RFP) process, to file a protest bond in order for the protest or stay of award to proceed. Requires such bond be payable to the state and equal to 5% of the lowest bid evaluated.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

State Revenue – Net Impact – Not Significant

State Expenditures – Net Impact – Not Significant

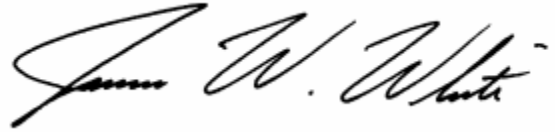
Assumptions:

- An exemption from the bond requirement is authorized for small or minority businesses when the lowest bid is less than \$1,000,000 upon submission of a written petition for the exemption.
- According to the Department of General Services, this bill amends the protest provisions established in Tenn. Code Ann. § 12-3-214 to align with the protest provisions established in Tenn. Code Ann. § 12-4-109, which are used by the Department of Finance and Administration.
- The Department of General Services has indicated that there would be no change to departmental revenue or expenditures associated with this bill. As a result, any change to state revenue or expenditures is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "J" and "W".

James W. White, Executive Director

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